

MediaWorkStation

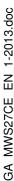
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1. General

Translation of the original user manual from German. Please read this user manual carefully and observe the notes given.

1.1. Abbreviations and icons

MWS-CE MediaWorkStation Classic EditionMES Medien Elektronik SoftwareF1 Control key "F1" on the keyboard

DVI Digital Visual Interface, digital interface for transmitting video data **VGA** Video Graphics Array, analogue interface for transmitting video data

GNU GPL GNU General Public License



Consult instructions for use.



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General precept. Sections marked with this icon contain important hints for the best operation.



Symbol of the manufacturer.

1.2. Legal information

The product "MediaWorkStation Classic Edition" is marked with the CE-Sign according to the EU-guideline 93/42/EEC.

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2. Introduction

2.1. Intended use

Imaging techniques are used in many areas of medicine: in endoscopy as well as in sonography, for the observance of patients and many other applications.

"MediaWorkStation Classic Edition" - short MWS-CE - is software for Windows for the recording, displaying, administration, documentation and playing of pictures and videos in medical contexts. The MWS-CE is used in doctor's offices as well as in clinics under normal environmental conditions. It completes existing visualization systems and is not applied to patients. It is used by trained qualified personnel. The operating period is defined to CONTINUOUS OPERATION. After 24 hours the system must be rebooted.

2.2. Functionality

The output signal of visualising devices such as cameras, videoscopes and sonographic devices is displayed on the monitor connected to the computer working with MWS-CE, and can be recorded as individual picture or as video.

The recorded information is saved to a database which is sorted by patients and sessions. Several display and search functions make it possible to directly address and select individual data sets. The programme provides text fields to write down additional comments.

For review and continued documentation, MWS-CE offers several functions for displaying pictures and videos, for visual comparison, for adding comments and for exporting picture and video data in standard formats.

2.3. Safety guidelines



Protect your computer and the programme against unauthorised access by using passwords. Protect your computer against virus attacks and other malware by using antivirus software. If the computer is part of a local network or connected to the internet, install a firewall, in order to protect the computer against unauthorized attacks from outside. Please observe the safety requirements by your web administrator, too.



If the data are saved on a central server, make sure the server is started up and linked to the network. Make sure that you are fully authorised for access to the central data server.



MES cannot guarantee uninterrupted permanent operation of the MWS-CE! For this reason, the MWS-CE may only be used within a redundant system pool, if an uninterrupted visualisation must be guaranteed.



With the data backup you can compile a packed archive of the database used by the system, including all patient data, session data, and findings information. Audio, video and picture findings as well as imported documents are not included in the backup.



Also observe the hints and explanations of the online help of the product. You can find the online help in the relevant part of the programme menu or, after starting the software, by pressing the keys [Help] or [F1].



3. Installation

3.1. Requirements on the computer

- Windows 8 / 7 / Vista / XP Pro SP3
- Processor Intel Core 2 Duo 2,4 GHz or comparable
- System memory 1 GB
- Harddisk space 25 GB for system, 100GB for data
- Intel HD graphics 2000
- Video converter device with PAL or NTSC output resolution
- Display, 1024x768 pixel, color 32Bit



The requirements are minimum values. A more powerful equipped computer, especially in processor speed, memory and storage space, is recommended.



Access right as administrator for use with Winows XP and all installation procedures are necessary.



In order to configure a medical workstation, please consider that you need a medical grade computer.

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3.2. Required system components

Please consider light sources (reflections on the screen) and lighting conditions. Do not expose to direct sunlight or heating.

In order to document medical examinations or interventions, the following additional components are necessary:

- Video camera or another modality with compatible video output
- Display
- Keyboard and mouse or "touch"-display

The following accessories can be used to control the recording of videos and pictures:

- USB footswitch (one pedal)
- USB footswitch (two pedals)
- USB remote cable

3.3. Configure the software

In the system settings area it is possible to adjust all pre-settings to user-specific requirements. The settings will be saved in the Windows registry database and configuration files. They control many of the functions of the system.

Modifications of the parameters may result in malfunctions and are thus exclusively reserved to authorised administrators. You find the settings in the system area, see 4.9.

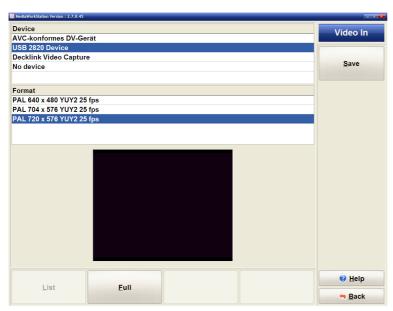


For basic system configuration you can use the programme "MWSConfig" from the appropriate section of the programme menu.



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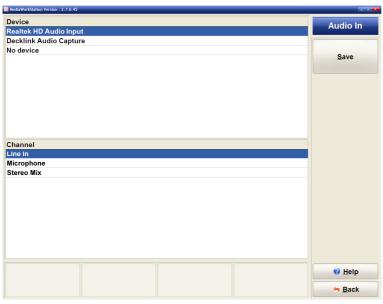
Video input device



A list displays all devices of the type "video input" available in the system. When selecting a device it will be enabled, and in the window situated below the list the current input signal is displayed for check. For some devices (such as the USB cameras) all possible video formats will be listed additionally. From the check box, select the format promising the best display quality, and pay special attention to a proper geometrical presentation.

Figure 1 - Video input configuration

Audio input device



A list displays all devices of the type "audio input" available in the system. When selecting a device, it will be enabled and the recent input signal will be played. This acoustic check makes it possible to choose between those devices which are properly working currently.

Figure 2 - Audio input configuration



If a USB video input device was selected, the device cannot at the same time be the audio input device.



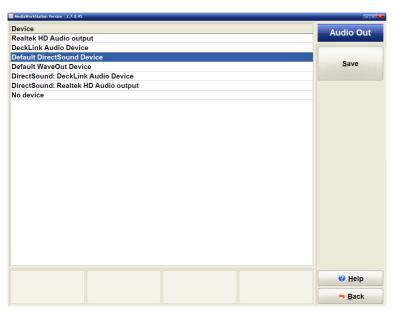
If you are using a DV-converter as video input device, please select them as audio input device too.

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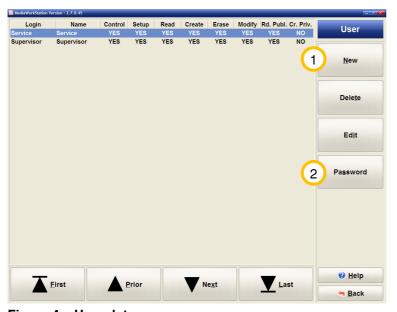
Audio output device



A list displays all devices of the type "audio output" available in the system. When selecting a device, it will be enabled and a test tone will be generated. This acoustic check makes it possible to choose between those devices which are currently properly working.

Figure 3 - Audio output configuration

Edit user data



Here you can compile a list of all users of the program. Each of them has several rights of access in order to work with the programme.

You can create a new user entry in the database. Assign a login name (consisting of at least 3 characters). Determine the access rights.

2 You will move over to the password entry for the highlighted user.

Figure 4 – User data

Enter the login name (at least three characters) and the full name of the user. You can assign individual access rights to each user of the programme.



Figure 5 - Edit user data



4. Operation

4.1. General remarks

The operational sequences explained in this manual describe only the fundamental steps to perform the task

The online help gives a complete description of the entire functionality of the programme. Open the online help by pressing the key [F1] on the keyboard or the [Help] button.

Basically, the software is a Windows programme. Thus all features of use and presentation of Windows are valid:

- Full mouse support
- Underlined letters are short cuts, ALT + letter = pressing the button
- An element which is focussed by a dotted rectangular is to be confirmed with [Enter] or [Space]
- Buttons with greyed letters are disabled and cannot be pressed.

4.2. Activation



The software is protected against unauthorised use by a protection mechanism which avoids the start of the programme after a certain period of testing (usually 30 days). When you have bought a licence and installed the programme you must order an activation key with the help of which you can activate the software for unlimited use. Please follow the hints given in the activation dialogue. The dialogue will appear at every start of the programme as long as the software is not activated yet.

During the evaluation period you can skip this dialogue by clicking (1) [Cancel].

Figure 6 - Activation dialouge box



Please note that you will have to send your bill of sale (receipt) or voucher code together with the activation request.



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4.3. User front-end

The user front-end of the MediaWorkStation is divided in the portions status bar, display area, tool/message area and menu bar. The arrangement of the window will not be changed throughout the entire duration of the program.

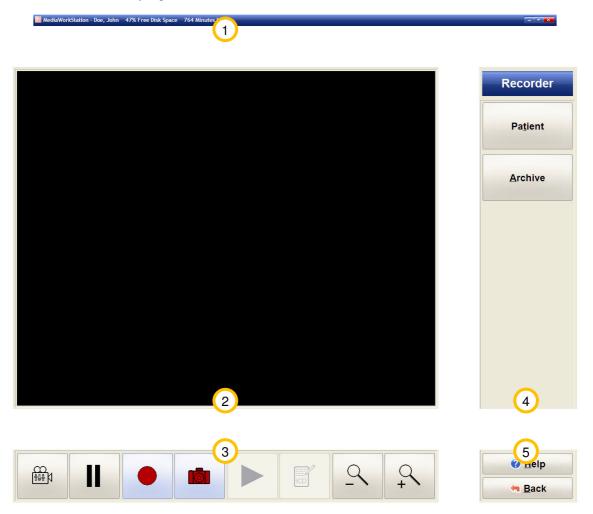


Figure 7 - User front-end

- 1 The status bar displays the name of the patient and more mode-specific information. Our example shows the recorder mode stating the remaining recording capacity.
- 2 The display area displays the picture information in preview mode, recording mode and playing mode, as well as selection lists and input masks for editing patient data and findings.
- The tool and message area contains tools for the direct control and manipulation of the display area. Action status messages, warnings and error messages are also prompted in this area.
- 4 At the right side you find the menu bar and the name of the current mode in the headline section. The top section of the menu bar is variable and contains tools for operation control and additional functions.
- 5 The bottom section of this menu bar is invariable and contains the buttons for calling up the help function (context-sensitive) and leaving the current programme mode.

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4.4. Operation by touch display

You can operate the programme almost completely via a screen sensitive to touch. All essential functions of the programme can be called up by touching large and clearly arranged buttons on the screen, except functional areas of the system configuration and special dialogues for the opening and saving of files.



Figure 8 - Touch operation

Touching the screen substitutes the function of the indicating device, the mouse. Α touch corresponds to pressing the primary mouse key. For example, if you wish to select a picture detail for enlargement, touch the screen at the first selection point of the rectangle and move your finger or the pen on towards second selection point. Conclude the selection by removing your finger or pen. The removal of finger or pen from the screen corresponds to the release of the primary mouse key.

In addition to the buttons for programme control a screen keyboard exists for text input. The keyboard configuration is adjusted

to the respective language. If there is no keyboard configuration for a certain language, the system will automatically choose the English keyboard configuration.

Under settings you may select, whether or not the screen keyboard will be displayed.



Usually the touch-sensitive surface of the touch screen requires calibration for exact position detection results. Please observe the relevant information by the manufacturer.



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4.5. Login

For login you are required to put in your user name and password. After successful login you are authorized to use the system corresponding to the authorisations allocated to you in system/user mode. As long as no user is defined the login name is "supervisor" without a password.



Figure 9 - Login

4.6. Select working mode

You are at the central entry to the programme. From here you may choose between several modes.



- (1) [New] After selecting a patient, a new session will be created and the recorder mode is started.
- (2) [Archive] This button gives access to all patients and sessions. Already existing dates and video clips can be analysed, edited or deleted. See also 4.8.
- (3) [System] You can edit basic settings and make user-specific settings. See also 4.9
- (4) [About] This button calls up a dialogue displaying version and licence information on the programme.

Figure 10 - Start area



If you exit the programme a data backup will be carried out depending on the settings.



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4.7. New area

Select patient

You can select a patient from the list or make a new entry. You may see the list for patient numbers or names.



Figure 11 - Select patient new area

- 1) For directly searching a patient press one of the buttons [Find by ABC] or [Find by 123] and start with the input of the search term. The data record cursor is automatically positioned to the data set showing the highest degree of congruence.
- 2 Highlight a patient for selection or create a 4 [New] patient file.
- [Select] makes the highlighted patient the relevant and enters his name in the status line on the top margin. Additionally a new session file is prepared for this patient and the programme jumps to recorder mode.

Edit patient

Definitive assignment of the examination data to the respective patient requires a number of personal data. These data have to be entered in the editing mode. Apart from absolutely necessary data such as **name**, **patient ID** and **date of birth** you may optionally add the sex.

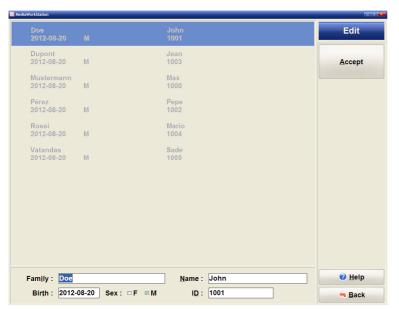


Figure 12 - Edit patient

Last name, first name: Complete name of the patient.

Date of birth: Date of birth of the patient.

ID: Patient identification. In order to simplify input an unambiguous patient number will automatically be suggested by the system.



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Record videos, photographs and audio data

This is a fully digital "video recorder" for the recording of videos, photographs and audio data. Optionally, the video or photo recording can be controlled by the foot switch or a remote control.

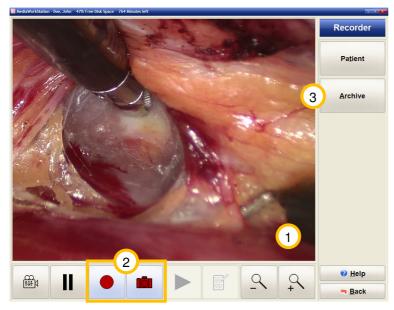


Figure 13 - Recorder area

- 1 In the display area you see the video preview.
- 2 Start video recording by pressing the button. This button has different functions depending on the state of recording: it stops recording.
- This button takes a photo and displays it for a few seconds as freeze image.
- (3) [Archive] Shows the sessions saved under the respective patient. You can compile complex reports on the basis of individual pictures combined with patient information and comments.



The duration of a video recording is automatically limited. With the setting "AVI time limit" you can adjust this limit.



If you enable "split view" in the settings the display area will be divided into several same-size image areas.



The software monitors the free space on the video disc. If the hard disc works to XX% capacity it will automatically request an archiving.



If the same patient is selected repeatedly and the session lifetime not yet expired you can add further data to an existing session or force a new session.



4.8. Archive area

Select patient

In the archive area you have access to all existing patient and session data. Stored data and videos can be analysed, edited, exported or deleted.



Figure 14 - Select patient archive area

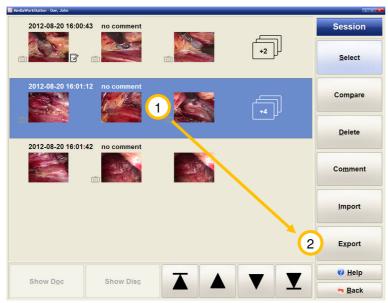
- 1 For directly searching a patient press one of the buttons [Find by ABC] or [Find by 123] and start with the input of the search term. The data record cursor is automatically positioned to the data set showing the highest degree of congruence.
- 2 Highlight a patient for selection.
- [Select] Makes the highlighted patient the current patient and enters his name in the status line. After this, all existing sessions are listed.



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Select session for display and report

The session view offers a quick overview over all medical examinations of the patient. A mouse click at the picture or symbol opens the attached data set.



- 1 In order to create a report select the desired session.
- 2 Switch to the document area by clicking the button [Export] -> [Document].

Figure 15 - Session area

The list of sessions contains additional and detailed information.



Figure 16 - Session dataset

- 1 Date and time of session creation as well as the first line of the comment are displayed.
- 2 Exclusively in session mode the symbol shows that the respective data set is assigned findings or diagnoses deviating from the standard.
- The symbol marks the data set as a still picture recording. Datasets without this symbol are video recordings.
- 4 This symbol shows the number of additional data sets. Clicking this symbol links you directly to the dataset area.



All functions can be used for the whole session. For data set-related work jump to data set mode.

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Playback video

When you open a video from the session or export area, the video player will be displayed.



- 1) By shifting the control triangle on the positioning bar you can set it to any play position in the video. On the left margin, the position will be indicated as time display in the format
- minutes:seconds:milliseconds.
- 2 Press this button to play the video. The button has different functions depending on the state of playing. After starting to play, this button has the function of a pause button.
- 3 Press this button to stop playing and jump to the start of the video.

Figure 17 - Player area

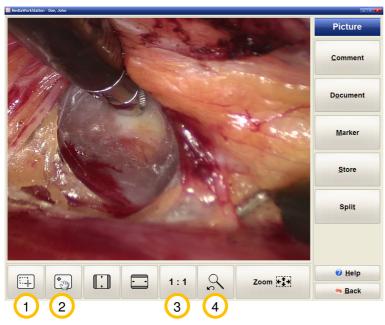
- 4 Press this button to picture-wise play forward or reverse. When pressing the button longer than 3 seconds the video changes to slow forward/reverse. The video is played in "slow motion".
- ⁵ Fast forward/fast reverse. When pressing this button longer than 3 seconds, the video clip jumps to the end/beginning of the video.



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Display picture

When you open a picture from the session or export area, the picture area will be displayed. You can optimise the picture representation for getting maximum precision or watch details with the zoom function. You can horizontally, vertically or pixel-accurately adjust the picture to the display area. For detailed views select a square section which can then be freely shifted over the entire picture.



- 1) Press this button to jump to the operation mode [Selection of a picture section]. If the mouse cursor is on top of the picture it appears in the form of crosshairs. You can select areas for enlargement.
- ² Press this button to jump to the operation mode [Shifting of a picture section]. If the mouse cursor is on top of the picture it appears in the form of a hand. You can shift the enlarged area over the entire picture.

Figure 18 - Picture area

- 3 The picture is displayed in the original resolution having assigned exactly one pixel of the display to exactly one pixel of the original picture. If the original picture is larger than the display area, this corresponds to an enlargement.
- 4 Press this button to switch between the current and the last selected picture display.

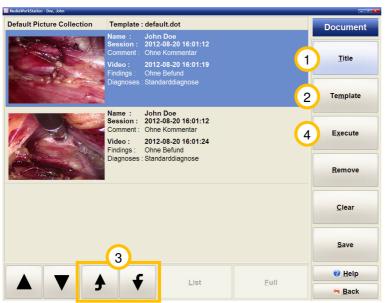


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Create report

Collections of pictures represent a document. Pictured findings can be added to a document or be deleted from it. The order in which they are listed in the document can be changed. Additionally you can put in a name for the document and select a Word template. The document will be put out via Word document or to the printer.

When selecting a patient, a new document will be created. If for the selected patient a document already exists, this document will be continued.



- 1) A name will be allocated to the document. In the Word template there is a name field for each document.
- 2 Any predefined Word template can be allocated to the document.
- 3) Shift the current pictured findings by one position towards the beginning/end.
- The pictured findings will automatically be inserted into the allocated Word template and Word will be started on the document generated.

Figure 19 - Create report

The export of pictured findings to a Word document is based on a predefined template. In this template fields will be defined for the various sets of information. The individual pictured findings will be allocated to these fields by adding a sequential number to the field name which corresponds to the position in the document collection. The first entry is number 1 and so on. The document has only one name field. It has no number. The fields are allocated to placeholders, texts or frames which can be correspondingly formatted.



If "Microsoft Word" is not installed in the system, the collection will be sent to the current printer. There is a printout for each picture result in standard format.



In order to improve the image quality in the print-out, the black margin areas resulting from recordings with small endoscopes will be automatically suppressed. This function is active by standard and can be switched off in the area settings.



The basic type of operation of the collection can be determined via pre-setting in the area settings, patient-oriented operation (standard) or global operation.

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4.9. System area

System area

The system area allows a number of specific settings and adjustments. Only experienced users should modify these settings. For highly sensitive settings there are access authorisations.

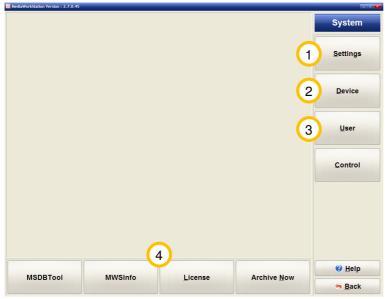


Figure 20 - System area

- 1 Click [Settings] to get to the software configuration.
- 2 Click [Devices] in order to select and configure all necessary devices.
- 3 Click [User] to create or configure user names and their rights.
- The tool bar left offers two buttons that can be configured. In the area Settings / Environment programmes can be allocated the name of which will be displayed on the button. By pressing [Archive now] you can manually start the archiving of videos. This requires meeting the conditions laid down in settings/data base of how to use of archive media.

4.10. More features and capabilities

The section reference of the online help system contains a comprehensive overview of the entire functionality of the MediaWorkStation software.

You can find the online help in the relevant part of the programme menu or, after starting the software, by pressing the keys [Help] or [F1].

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5. Messages

Disk full, archive now



Figure 21 - Message disk full

The software monitors the free space on the video disc. If the hard disc works to XX% capacity it will automatically request an archiving. If you do not have time you may ignore this hint, but afterwards you should again jump to recorder mode or make an external archiving from system mode ([Archive now]).

Add to last session



Figure 22 - Message add to last session

If the same patient is selected repeatedly and the session lifetime not yet expired you can add further data to an existing session or force a new session. Session lifetime can be adjusted under settings/database. Thus it is possible to distinguish between different examination objects in one and the same patient.

Backup data base now



Figure 23 - Message backup database now

After termination of the pre-set backup interval you will be requested to back up the data upon shutting down the programme. This request will appear each time you are shutting down the programme until the backup was made.

Interval and storage position can be set under system/settings/database



With the data backup you can compile a packed archive of the database used by the system, including all patient data, session data, and findings information. Audio, video and picture findings as well as imported documents are not included in the backup.

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6. Avoiding, identifying and resolving issues

System start-up

The components of the system should be switched on one after the other, with the documentation device as the last one. It is not allowed to use master-slave-sockets.

System shut-down

You always have to switch off the device properly by repeatedly pressing [Back] or the icon a in the status bar. Each interruption causes severe, often irreparable damage to the database and thus to the data.

Mobile data carriers

Even if the configuration of the destination data carrier has been carried out properly, the system might in some cases not be able to find a currently connected data carrier. Hence, the availability of the data carrier must be checked before using them.

Data backups

Data backups must be made on a regular basis in order to be able to restore the data in the case of a hardware defect. When restoring, the data must be back-transferred from the backup medium into an empty database folder.

Automatic limitation of recording

The recording duration is limited to 5 minutes by standard. The maximum duration of a recording can be adjusted in the settings area with the help of the parameter "AVI time limit".

Recording impossible, no disk space

The software monitors the free space on the video disc. If the hard disc works to XX% capacity it will automatically request an archiving. If you do not have time you may ignore this hint, but afterwards you should again jump to recorder mode or make an external archiving from system mode ([Archive now]).

Calibrating the touch-display

Usually the touch-sensitive surface of the touch screen requires calibration for exact position detection results. Please observe the relevant information by the manufacturer.

Print out of picture findings

The picture is printed on the printer selected in the system area "devices". High quality printers and papers should be used for the print out exclusively.

Audio and video data are not lip-sync

Audio and video data are only lip-sync if both signals are processed by the same capture device.



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7. Technical data

Name	Value
Classification	Class 1 according to 93/42/EEC
Video format	DV
Video standard	PAL / NTSC
Audio format	PCM, stereo
Video resolution	Input signal:
	640x480 pixel (NTSC)
	768x576 pixel (PAL)
	Stored video:
	720x480 pixel (NTSC)
	720x576 pixel (PAL)
	Stored picture:
	640x480 pixel (NTSC)
	768x576 pixel (PAL)
Audio resolution	16 bit, 44,1/48 kHz stereo
File format	Video: AVI
	Picture: BMP / JPEG
	Report: DOC
Storage space consumption	Video: 3,5MB/s (1GB / 5min.)
	Picture: 1,26MB (BMP) / ~39KB (JPEG)
Operation mode / duty cycle	Continous operation / restart after 24h
Standards	EN 60601-1
Labelling	CE according to MPG

Table 1 - Technical data

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